

South Coast Air Quality Management District

Statement of Basis

Proposed Title V Renewal Permit

Facility Name:	Hitco Carbon Composites Inc
Facility ID:	800066
SIC Code:	3089
Equipment Location:	1600 West 135 th Street Gardena, CA 90249
Application #(s):	467879
Application Submittal Date(s):	04/18/07
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1. Introduction and Scope of Permit

Title V is a national operating permit program for air pollution sources. Facilities subject to Title V must obtain a Title V permit and comply with specific Title V procedures to modify the permit. This permit replaces the facility's other existing permits. Title V does not necessarily include any new requirements for reducing emissions. It does, however, include new permitting, noticing, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements.

Pursuant to Title V of the federal Clean Air Act and AQMD Rule 3004(f), a Title V permit shall expire five years from the date of issuance unless such permit has been renewed. Accordingly, each facility is required to submit a Title V renewal application and requested the AQMD to renew their Title V permit. The proposed permit incorporates updates to the facility information provided in the facility's Title V renewal application and all rules and regulations that are currently applicable to the facility.

The AQMD implements Title V through Regulation XXX – Title V Permits, adopted by the AQMD Governing Board in order to comply with EPA's requirement that local air permitting authorities develop a Title V program. Regulation XXX was developed with the participation of the public and affected facilities through a series of public workshops, working group meetings, public hearings and other meetings.

The Title V major source threshold for a particular pollutant depends on the attainment status of the pollutant. NO₂, SO₂, CO, and lead are in attainment with federal standards. The status for PM-10 is serious nonattainment. The status for ozone is currently extreme nonattainment.

A Title V renewal permit is proposed to be issued to cover the operations of Hitco Carbon Composites Inc located at 1600 West 135th Street, Gardena, CA 90249. This facility is subject to Title V requirements because it is a major source.

2. Facility Description

This is an existing facility that is in the business of aerospace composites manufacturing. The facility operates spray booths, boilers, emergency internal combustion engines, storage tanks, hydraulic presses, furnaces, ovens, electrostatic precipitators, a scrubber, abrasive blasting equipment and associated air pollution control equipment baghouses, autoclaves, and other supporting equipment. The VOC emissions from the furnaces are controlled by air pollution control equipment afterburners.

3. Construction and Permitting History

The facility has been in constant operation with a Title V permit at this location since 2003. Numerous permits to construct and or permits to operate have been issued to the facility since January 2003. An initial Title V permit was issued to the facility on January 20, 2003 and several permit revisions were subsequently issued to this facility.

4. Regulatory Applicability Determinations

Applicable legal requirements for which this facility is required to comply are required to be identified in the Title V permit (for example, Section D, E, and H of the proposed Title V permit). Applicability determinations (i.e., determinations made by the District with respect to what legal requirements apply to a specific piece of equipment, process, or operation) can be found in the Engineering Evaluations. This facility is not subject to any NSPS or NESHAP requirements. To ensure that the facility is exempt from 40CFR63 Subpart GG-National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Aerospace Manufacturing and Rework Facilities, facility wide permit conditions are specified in the Title V permit limiting the quantity of a volatile hazardous air pollutant emissions (VHAP) from the facility to less than 10 tons per year and a combination of VHAPs to less than 25 tons per year.

5. Monitoring and Operational Requirements

Applicable monitoring and operational requirements for which the facility is required to comply are identified in the Title V permit (for example, Section D, F, and J and Appendix B of the proposed Title V permit). Discussion of any applicable operational requirements can be found in the Engineering Evaluations. All periodic monitoring requirements were developed using strict adherence to the following applicable guidance documents: SCAQMD Periodic Monitoring Guidelines for Title V Facilities (November 1997); CAPCOA/CARB/EPA Region IX Periodic Monitoring Recommendations for Generally Applicable Requirements in SIP (June 1999); and CAPCOA/CARB/EPA Region IX Recommended Periodic Monitoring for Generally Applicable Grain Loading Standards in the SIP: Combustion Sources (July 2001).

The VOC emissions from the furnaces are vented to air pollution control equipment afterburners. The uncontrolled VOC emissions to each afterburner is greater than the major source threshold for VOC of 10 tons per year. As a result, the afterburners are subject to the Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM) requirements of 40 CFR Part 64. Permit conditions have been added to satisfy the CAM requirements. Such permit conditions were developed using the design criteria and other pertinent requirements identified in 40 CFR 64- Compliance Assurance Monitoring and Technical Guidance Document and in the August 1998 Revised Draft CAM.

The PM10 emissions from two abrasive blasting rooms and a blasting cabinet are each controlled by a baghouse. However, since the pre-control potential to emit of PM10 from each operation is less than 70 tons per year, the Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM) requirements of 40 CFR Part 64 is not applicable to the baghouses.

In addition, the PM10 emissions from the hydrochloric acid tanks are controlled by a scrubber. However, since the pre-control potential to emit of PM10 from the tanks is less than 70 tons per year, the Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM) requirements of 40 CFR Part 64 is not applicable to the scrubber.

6. Permit Features

Permit Shield

A permit shield is an optional part of a Title V permit that gives the facility an explicit protection from requirements that do not apply to the facility. A permit shield is a provision in a permit that states that compliance with the conditions of the permit shall be deemed compliance with all identified regulatory requirements. To incorporate a permit shield into the Title V permit involves submission of applications for change of conditions for each equipment affected by the permit shield. Permit shields are addressed in Rule 3004 (c). This facility has not applied for a permit shield.

Streamlining Requirements

Some emission units may be subject to multiple requirements which are closely related or redundant. The conditions may be streamlined to simplify the permit conditions and compliance. Emission limits, work practice standards, and monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements may be streamlined. Compliance with a streamlined condition will be deemed compliance with the underlying requirements whether or not the emission unit is actually in compliance with the specific underlying requirement. This facility has not applied for any streamlined conditions.

7. Summary of Emissions and Health Risks

Criteria Pollutant Emissions (tons/year)
Annual Reported Emissions for Reporting Period 2005/2006

Pollutant	Emissions (tons/year)
NOx	7.36
CO	3.534
VOC	7.688

PM	1.03
SOx	0.06

**Toxic Air Contaminants Emissions (TAC)
Annual Reported Emissions for Reporting Period 2005/2006**

The Following TACs Were Reported	Emissions (lbs/yr)
Ammonia	2408.15
Chromium (vi)	0.068
Formaldehyde	245.71
Benzene	1.205
Butadiene	0.05
Naphthalene	0.045
PAH	0.022

Health Risk from Toxic Air Contaminants

The facility is subject to review by the Air Toxics Information and Assessment Act (AB2588). The Final Facility Health Risk was approved in 1998 with the following risk factors.

Cancer Risk	6.4 in one million
Acute Hazard Index	0.34
Chronic Hazard Index	0.05

8. Compliance History

As noted, the facility has been in constant operation with a Title V permit since 2003. The facility has been subject to both self-reporting requirements and AQMD inspections. The facility has had no citizen complaints filed, Notices to Comply or Notices of Violation issued in the last two years. The facility is currently operating in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations.

9. Compliance Certification

By virtue of the Title V permit application and issuance of this Title V renewal permit, the reporting frequency for compliance certification for the facility shall be annual.